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AGUSAN, MINDANAO1. 5 December

A report of 5 December 1949 stated that "discontented leaders in Agusan plan to liquidate the provincial governor, the provincial commander, the mayor and the chief of police of Agusan, because of alleged political frauds committed in the said province".

BATAAN, LUZON2. 20 November

An encounter between the 126th Philippine Constabulary (PC) Company and fifteen Huks terminated without casualties after a few minutes of firing. The Huks retreated toward the town of Samal.

3. 3 December

The municipal police force of Samal encountered and killed an unidentified Huk who was armed with a dagger. An order for the procurement of supplies signed by Linda Bie\* was found in his possession.

BATANGAS, LUZON4. 7 November

Five civilians were killed, two were wounded, and one is missing following the ambushing of a truck by an undetermined number of armed men at Barrio Payapa, in the town of Lipa.

5. 7 December

Illuminada Briones, wife of Colonel Anselmo Barredo, who is wanted by the Justice of the Peace Court for sedition and kidnapping, was arrested by agents of the PC at Batangas, Batangas.

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6. 9 December

Approximately 170 Huks armed with machine guns and accompanied by three women left Talisay for either Gunsali or Mt. Suncay.

BULACAN, LUZON7. 21 November

Approximately 150 Huks passed Highway No. 5 at Maasin, San Ildefonso, and proceeded west of Panique, Candaba, Pampanga. It is believed that this group will join Linda Bie in Nueva Ecija to attack the town of Cabiao.

8. 24 November

A patrol of the 88th PC detachment of Sapang Puti, San Ildefonso, and one platoon of civilian guards were fired upon by dissidents at Barrio Ubic. During an exchange of fire which lasted for fourteen minutes, one guard and three dissidents were killed.

9. Early December

An undetermined number of dissidents entered Hulo, an outlying sitio of Binagbag, Angat, and ransacked twelve houses, threatening the inhabitants and forcing them to make contributions of rice.

10. 4 December

Four armed members of Huk Squadron 104 were observed foraging in Barrio Santo Cristo, in the town of Baliuag. Encountered by members of the Civilian Volunteer Guards (CVG), one Huk was killed and another wounded.

CAGAYAN, LUZON11. 15 December

Approximately 50 Huks entered the town of Ballesteros. During a police inspection by the mayor the Huks threw four hand-made grenades at the group and fired at the mayor. It is believed that the dissidents wished to loot the armory of the Northern Cagayan College ROTC in Tuguegarao. A patrol of the Cagayan PC was sent to Ballesteros.

CAMARINES SUR, LUZON12. 9 December

In Barrio Ceruma, Nabua, a patrol of the Camarines Sur PC saw armed men believed to be under former Captain Bonibia of Naga. The group is thought to be responsible for cases of kidnapping which have taken place in the vicinity. One .12 caliber shotgun was confiscated from a dissident named Reynaldo Florante.

DAVAO, MINDANAO13. 15 December

Eight dissidents armed with five Garand rifles raided the house of Restituto Sabello at Apuyao. After inflicting seven bullet wounds and two dagger wounds on Sabello, the dissidents fled with the arrival of the PC patrol.

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ILOILO, PANAY14. Early December

There are three companies of Huks at Barrio Alibunan, Calinog, led by Millega, Culafo, and an unidentified person from Miagao. They are recruiting followers and gathering food supplies for sustained resistance.

15. 2 December

Fifty heavily armed dissidents assaulted two PC agents in the town of Alimodian. During the ensuing fighting five civilians were killed. The situation in the town is tense because of the disbandment of a group of fifty members of the CVG who were formerly attached to the PC.

16. 5 December

A PC combat patrol commanded by Lieutenant Merano led an attack on a group of fully armed dissidents entrenched in the Barrios of Maasin and Alimodian. After a brief exchange of fire, the dissidents retreated toward the mountains without casualty to either side.

ISABELA, LUZON17. 1 December

Two dissidents fired at and seriously wounded Mayor Dionisio Francisco.

18. 7 December

Pedro Santos, supply officer of a Huk Squadron led by Major Hara, was killed by the barrio lieutenant and a rural policeman of Patol, Santiago, when he asked for contributions of food and money. His Huk companion, armed with a Garand rifle, fled to the woods, pursued by the police.

LAGUNA, LUZON19. 27 November

Dissidents attacked the Nagcarlan PC detachment but were repulsed without casualty.

20. 2 December

An unknown number of Huks ambushed a jeep at Balay Hangin, Calawang, killing its civilian driver and seriously wounding a passenger. A combat patrol of the 27th PC Company proceeded immediately to the scene of the ambush.

21. 3 December

A combat patrol of the 108th PC Company, enroute to Bos Malinao, Dayap, Calawang, encountered a Huk supply unit. One Huk was killed and Tranquilino Hernandez, with one .45 caliber pistol and documents, was taken prisoner.

22. 8 December

Five unidentified men held up a truck load of copra at Barrio Imoc, Calausan. The passengers, who were from Sayaya, Quezon, were relieved of their possessions and made to stay behind while the outlaws drove the truck to San Pablo.

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23. Early December

An undetermined number of Huks passed Barrio Palayan, Nagcarlan, bound for Rizal. Approximately sixty Huks crossed the Dagatan-Bangoy highway, en route to Santa Rosario, Batangas.

24. Early December

Dissidents on the outskirts of San Pablo plan to commandeer motor vehicles from civilians and government forces and to liquidate pro-administration officials and citizens. Certain members of the San Pablo police force are cooperating with the dissidents. A simultaneous attack is being planned against the PC installations along Baybay Mountain.

LA UNION, LUZON25. Early December

The towns of Balles, Burgos, and La Union have been occupied by Huks. PC troops cannot attack them and the Philippine Naval Patrol (PNP) must guard the PC Headquarters.

26. Early December

Thirty-six Huks in Sitio Palina, Pugo, have indicated their willingness to surrender to the Pugo mayor.

27. 9 December

Dissidents are infiltrating into La Union from the Barrios of Emmalog and Alacan, in Binday, Pangasinan.

## 28. Thirty-seven Huks stole through the line of Lieutenant Acmor during the night, and, following the trail to Twin Peaks, Konan Road, proceeded to Mountain Province via Tubo, Abra. These Huks were part of a group led by former Lieutenant Ponciano Galang, who previously surrendered to the La Union PC.

NUEVA ECIJA, LUZON29. Mid-November

During an encounter between the 12th PC Company under Captain Alejandro Agustin and an undetermined number of Huks at Barrio Bobon, Licab, one Huk was killed and his carbine seized.

30. Mid-November

A group of unidentified men seized carabaos and personal property belonging to the inhabitants of Santo Domingo but were driven away by the police after a brief exchange of fire.

31. 19 November

A patrol of the 95th PC Company encountered an undetermined number of Huks at Sitio Lipa-an, Santa Rosa. After a brief exchange of fire the Huks fled, leaving some of their equipment.

## 32. A CVG group with a patrol of the 10th PC Company encountered a group of ten Huks at Kapot, San Isidro. After thirty minutes of fire, the Huks retreated toward Bulacan.

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33. 1 December

Members of the CVG and a commando patrol of the 95th PC Company led by Staff Sergeant Jaime Cadac had a brief encounter with Huks at Barrio Sinaguinan, Santa Rosa. One enlisted man was killed.

34. Early December

PC troops captured food supplies and several Communist leaflets from Huk barracks at Barrio Capitan Juan, Santa Rosa.

35. 7 December

A patrol of the 11th PC Company under Lieutenant Cristobal fired on a group of Huks at Barrio Alongalong, San Antonio, killing one Huk. One hand grenade, food, and documents were captured and 20 huts used as Huk hideouts were burned.

36. Early December

Captain Pablo Hernandez with a CVG patrol and Huk Commander Bonar with an undetermined number of Huks held a brief exchange of fire at Sitio Banaug, Cabaio, San Jose. Two Huks were killed. The remainder retreated toward Barrio Bagumbayan, San Jose, leaving food supplies and two carabaos.

37. In a raid by approximately 30 Huks on the CVG detachment at Barrio Dinarayat, Talavera, three civilians were wounded and one killed.

38. 14 December

A patrol of the 1st PC Heavy Weapon Company and six men attached to the PC engaged an undetermined number of Huks at Barrio Cinco Cinco, Cabanatuan, killing one Huk and wounding six.

NUEVA VIZCAYA, LUZON39. Early December

Approximately 200 Huks from Kayapa and from Santa Rosa, Nueva Ecija, were seen traveling toward Itogon, Mountain Province. Another group of about 25 was seen going toward northern Nueva Vizcaya.

40. Huks occupied Barrio Caluticot on 6 December.

41. 7 December

More than 300 Huks, outnumbering the PC and CVG, occupied the Sitios of Lisab and Banig at Kayapa, and seized pigs, carabaos and rice from the inhabitants.

MOUNTAIN PROVINCE, LUZON42. 15 December

An encounter between 20 members of the CVG led by Major Toms and a group of 70 Huks at Valdez, resulted in the killing of five Huks and the capture of two Garand rifles.

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ORIENTAL NEGROS, LUZON27 November

43. Huk leader Marani and three followers surrendered voluntarily with one Thompson sub-machine gun at Barrio Linuthanagan, Canlaon. Later nine other followers of Marani surrendered.

PAMPANGA, LUZON44. October

Huk Supremo Luis Taruc and Huk Commander Sergio Cayenan, also known as Helen, were seen in Sitio Maringin, Santa Ana, between 17 and 20 October. With them were seventeen bodyguards armed with grease guns and Thompson sub-machine guns.

45. Late November

On the morning of 23 November, Huks from the western slope of Mount Arayat were met by combat patrols of the 99th PC Company and members of the 8th CVG Company under Lieutenant David Inano. Four Huks were killed and two rifles captured.

46. Also on the morning of 23 November, a combat patrol of the 14th and 15th PC Companies attacked a Huk outpost on the slopes of Mount Arayat above Barrio Balete. Huk documents, kitchen utensils, and three and a half sacks of clean rice were seized.

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48. Early December

On 6 December a patrol of the 77th PC Company surprised a group of Huks in Barrio Gatlawin, Arayat, capturing Huk Mariano de Guzman with his .45 caliber pistol. De Guzman stated that he belongs to a Huk band of about 30 which is camped at Sitio Dakuit, at the foot of Mount Arayat, and is under Commander Maligaya.

49. 8 December

After a brief encounter between dissidents and a patrol of the 77th PC Company on the slopes of Mount Arayat, the Huks retreated to a higher level, leaving 30 M-1 rifles and two of their number dead.

50. The roster of new members of two supposed Huk organizations was confiscated from Hugo Simbulan during a recent police search. The organizations are at Fort Santiago, Hagonoy, Bahay Pare, and at the garrison of Pasong Balos. Certain persons whose names appeared on the list were found in the house of Simulan and taken to PC Headquarters for questioning.

51. 15 December

A large number of Huks under the command of Luis Taruc and Jesus Lava are concentrated at Sitio Mapalad, between Arayat, Pampanga, and Cabiao, Nueva Ecija. Francisco Quaiambao, also known as Major Sumalong, and right-hand man of Linda Bie, is with the group.

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52. A number of unidentified fully-armed Huks confiscated rice and other food supplies in Barrio San Antonio, San Nicolas, on 21 November.
53. About 25 Huks raided the barrio of Santo Tomas in San Nicolas on 5 December taking with them several sacks of rice as they proceeded toward Mount Dalupina.
54. December
- Seventy armed Huks under Major Viernes and Major Dante were seen at Villa Creek on 7 December. The Huks revealed that in their last encounter with the 18th PC Company at San Nicolas, Major Dante had been wounded in the right arm.
55. Five residents of the town of San Nicolas reportedly joined the dissidents.
56. On 15 December a group of Huks were foraging and recruiting at Barrio Moreno, in the town of Binalonan, and at Barrios Balbalinos and Immalug, near the town of Sison. On the same day another group of Huks visited the barrios of Batacolor, Nativida, and San Felipe, in San Nicolas. A combat patrol of 15 men from the 96th PC Company and two combat patrols of the 17th PC Company were sent to apprehend the dissidents.
57. A group of Huks (see paragraph 28) who proceeded from La Union to Mountain Province are believed to be on their way to join their 150 comrades now concentrated at Papaya, San Manuel, Pangasinan. PC operations against these dissidents have already begun.

QUEZON, LUZON

58. On 30 November an undetermined number of Huks confiscated the firearms of civilians living in Barrios Santa Elena and San Cristobal, in the town of San Pablo. Detachments of the 61st PC Company were sent to contact the Huks who are believed to be now at Barrio Bulakin, in Dolores.

59. 3 December

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approximately 50 Huks were seen moving north along the Cabatag River in the vicinity of Barrio Ayusan, Dolores. The group is believed to be part of Field Command Number 3 under Pablo Mangarin, also known as Commander Blue Ring.

60. Early December

A detachment of the 107th PC Company was attacked by 30 armed men at Barrio Camaisan, Tayabas, but after fifteen minutes of fire the dissidents retreated to the mountains.

RIZAL, LUZON61. Early December

Several seven-man groups, believed to be Huks, were seen moving northward in the vicinity of Ipo Dam near La Mesa.

62. Martinez Buenaventura, employed in the Halili Transportation Company in Palong Bato, Baesa, is in command of a troop of dissidents. The troop, armed with guns of various caliber, was seen at Novaliches.

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SULU ARCHIPELAGO

63. Outlaws are active in the cottes of Jolo. On 9 December a plane piloted by Captain Racundo was hit by .30 and .50 caliber machine gun bullets. Fragments removed from the wings of the plane indicated that the outlaws were using lantakas.\*\*

64. 16 December

Captain Alcantara, Lieutenant B. Gumabay, and twelve enlisted men were ambushed and killed by dissidents in Jolo. Bodies of the soldiers have not been recovered because violent fighting is still prevalent.

TARLAC, LUZON65. Late November

It is rumored that the town of Tarlac will be raided by Huks and disappointed Nacionalista Party followers. Attorney Jesus Yambao, a defeated Nacionalista candidate for Congress, has been visiting remote barrios since the presidential elections.

66. Early December

The rumor (see paragraph 65) of an impending attack on Tarlac was strengthened by a report which also stated that a Huk named Florante was operating along the Chico River in the Alongalong Forest. The dissidents preparing to attack government installations have been recruited from Tarlac, Pangasinan, and Nueva Ecija.

ZAMBALES, LUZON

67. Pio Daes, barrio lieutenant of Poonbato, was kidnapped from his home on 28 November by approximately fifty outlaws.

GENERAL68. 30 November

A large concentration of Huks was observed in Alongalong Forest between Zaragoza and San Antonio, Nueva Ecija, and La Paz and Concepcion, Tarlac. They were reportedly waiting for representatives from the provinces of Cagayan, Isabela, Nueva Vizcaya, Quezon, Rizal, Bataan, Laguna, Batangas, Cavite, Bulacan, Pampanga and Nueva Ecija in order to discuss plans for a general offensive on 20 December.

- 25X1A \* Comment. It was reported on 30 August 1949 that Linda Bie with a large force had started an orgy of mass kidnappings and killings in Bataan Province.

- 25X1A \*\* Comment. The lantaka is a crude unrifled small cannon used by the Moros aboard vessels or on land for the defense of fortifications. Lantakas may be old brass cannon or may be cannon made from a length of metal pipe. Charged with gunpowder and lighted by a match they fire an assortment of grapeshot, nuts, bolts, broken glass, or other small objects.

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